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## (54) CUBIC BORON NITRIDE SINTERED BODY CUTTING TOOL

## (57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a high-performance cubic boron nitride sintered compact, wherein while mechanical and thermal characteristics are maintained, the falling- off of cBN particles, the wear of a binder, and the wear and damage of a tool caused by the particle falling-off are preventing during the cutting of highly hardened steel or cast iron.

SOLUTION: This cutting tool contains 30 to 90 vol.% of fine-particle cubic born nitride having an average particle size of 1 μm or lower and 10 to 70 vol.% of coarse-particle boron nitride having an average particle size of 2 to 10 μm, and the average particle size of the binder of a remaining portion is set at fine-particle cubic born nitride < binder < coarse-particle cubic boron nitride. The binder is made of at least one selected from carbide, nitride, carbon nitride, boron, a compound of these, AlN, Al2O3, and iron group metal containing at least one element of 4a, 5a and 6a group of the periodic table, performance having both wear resistance and damage resistance is provided.

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